

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT ON BILL NO. **S. 191**

(Doc. No. jud0031.kw.docx)

TO:	The Honorable Glenn McConnell, Chairman, Senate Judiciary Committee		
FROM:	Office of State Budget, Budget and Control Board		
ANALYSTS:	Rodney Grizzle and Kenneth Brown		
DATE:	January 26, 2009	SBD:	2009036

AUTHOR:	Senator McConnell	PRIMARY CODE CITE:	20-7-8305
SUBJECT:	South Carolina Reduction of Recidivism Act of 2009		

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES:
See Below

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON FEDERAL & OTHER FUND EXPENDITURES:
See Below

BILL SUMMARY:

Senate Bill 191 amends the Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, by introducing The South Carolina Reduction of Recidivism Act of 2009. This Bill would make changes in the conditional release of both Juvenile and Adult offenders to require the offender to submit to having their person and property searched with or without cause. The Bill would also allow Law Enforcement Officers and Probation, Parole and Pardon Services Agents to search individuals with or without a search warrant in order to help control criminal activities.

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT:

The Department of Probation, Parole and Pardon Services and the Department of Juvenile Justice both indicate this Bill will have no impact on the General Fund of the State, nor on Federal and/or Other Funds. The Department of Corrections (SCDC) indicates the net impact on the agency is not readily determinable. The Department indicates that although the Bill may help control criminal activities among individuals under community supervision, it could potentially increase the number of revocations.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT IMPACT:

None.

SPECIAL NOTES:

None.

Approved by:



Harry Bell
Assistant Director, Office of State Budget